

**Hurricane Harvey Response 2017
Community Liaison (CL) Report**

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SUBJECT: Daily Report: Port Arthur / Beaumont

COUNTY: Jefferson

DATE: 9/10/2017

Due: Daily 4:00 pm

SUMMARY:

- Met with Coast Guard Public Affairs on site – they would like to collaborate in some way. We shared our strategy and they have agreed to join us during several of the meetings planned.
- Participated in the 10:00 CI teleconference. Concerns brought up;
- Met as a team to strategize divide tasks. Set up meeting with local government officials in Port Arthur.
- Visited EJ groups to listen to their concerns.
- Toured west side of Port Arthur and visited with apartment residents experiencing eviction.
- Helped distribute food and water to elderly with children.
- Secured office space at the community college library – where we will be meeting for the remainder of our tour.
- Saw the close proximity of refinery to EJ communities and schools.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

- Mold is going to be horrific issue in many homes – especially in EJ communities.
- Please request translations for all approved flood material
- Please include septic tank information

- Please include Healthy Homes non-toxic recipes for cleaning information
- EJ communities are focusing on housing concerns such as renter evictions, no insurance, and closing of shelters. The environmental health risks take a back seat when you are fighting for a place to live.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- Stated above.